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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicants respectfully bring the following documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449 and cited in the International Search Report, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, applicant encloses herewith a copy of the International Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office. Further, the U.S. equivalent of JP 11-151,957 is attached. Further, English-language Abstracts are attached to the references.

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It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

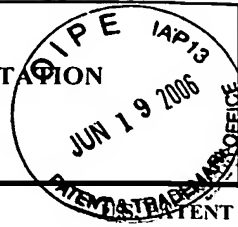
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		Form PCT/ISA/210 (International Search Report dated January 11, 2005, with English translation)

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